

Bond Issue to Combat Juvenile Delinquency, Police Chief States

RECREATION AND POLICE FACILITIES INADEQUATE

Torrance's present lack of adequate facilities for juvenile recreation can well be the main spring of an acute delinquency problem, asserted Police Chief W. H. Haslam in an interview today.

"As most citizens of Torrance know, the police department sponsors an organization known as the Torrance Auxiliary Police which is made up youth," Chief Haslam stated. "Our membership has been dwindling because we do not have adequate meeting rooms and entertainment facilities in our department. When my officers interviewed a large number of these youngsters recently, most of them stated emphatically that there is not a constructive thing in Torrance for them to do. If they want to swim they have to go to a neighboring town, we don't have adequate ball diamonds here, nor do we have a civic-sponsored recreation center where young people can meet and have fun under proper guidance."

Corked-up Energy
Chief Haslam went on to state that he hoped, in the interests of the city's young people, that the voters would approve Proposition 1 and 2 on October 19. The best time to stop juvenile trouble is before it starts, he explained. "Idle youngsters full of corked-up energy can cause more trouble than a sack full of wild cats if they don't have a constructive outlet for their drive," the Chief asserted.

Police Handicapped
In the same interview, Chief Haslam explained also that his department is critically handicapped in serving the city through the lack of enough room to do its work properly. "The heart of a police department is its record system," the Chief explained. "We not only do not have a record room, but we don't even have space for files. It is wasteful and extravagant to operate this way. In fact, our facilities are so antiquated that they will be condemned within the next two years."

"Every one of us on the force has carefully studied the proposed plans for the new police station and we are unanimous in stating that it is the best we have ever seen. It is our understanding that many months of study spent in perfecting a police station for Hawthorne went into the preparation of our plans by Marion J. Varner,

218 Pints Of Blood Taken In Torrance

Mrs. Virginia Jones, chairman of blood recruitment for the Torrance branch of the Red Cross, reported that a total of 253 people were processed last Monday, October 11, while the Red Cross Bloodmobile was stationed at Civic Auditorium. Out of the 253 only 35 were rejected. Total quantity of blood

donated was 218 pints, Mrs. Jones said.

Two new groups were added when the Torrance Elks were represented with 10 donors, and the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce sent 12 donors. Two reactivated groups were Longren Aircraft and the Torrance First Christian Church.

The group having the largest number of donors was Chandler Sand and Gravel of Lomita, with 23 donors.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Banasky, of 1104 Elm Ave., announce the birth of a daughter, Kathleen Ann, weighing 10 pounds and 11 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Schaping of 1925 S. Crenshaw Blvd., announce the birth of a daughter, Kathleen Ann, weighing 5 pounds and 14 ounces.

Willd Greet Nixon

John Willd, Torrance attorney, who is in the race for California assemblyman's seat, was on hand at International Airport recently to greet Vice-President Nixon upon the latter's arrival here.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charles Denny, of 808 Patronella St., announce the birth of a daughter, Eve Lynn, weighing 7 pounds.

Specials, Gifts Offered by Lomita Stores

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CARD PARTY

The Holy Name men of St. Margaret Mary's parish are sponsoring their monthly card party tonight, October 14, at 8 p.m. in the school, located at 254th and Eshelman avenue. The public is invited, and the usual games, prizes and refreshments will be featured.

GOP Dinner Tonight

Bob Finch, Republican 17th Congressional district candidate, will be among the candidates who will be present at the "Ike Birthday Dinner" to be held tonight at 7 p.m. at the Western Club cafe, 15516 S. Western avenue. The dinner is a non-fund raising affair. Reservations may be made by calling OS. 6-7355.

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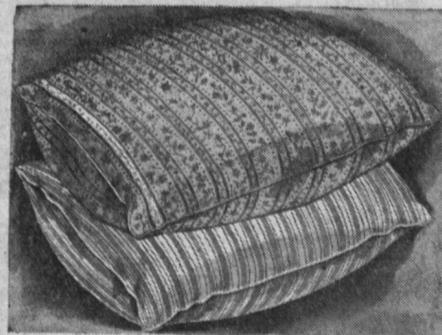
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